



YOUTH BASEBALL/SOFTBALL CITY TOURNAMENT COACH MEETING 6U – 12U

- Thanks to ALL Coaches
- Introduction of KPRD Athletics Staff
- Introduction of Commissioners



GOALS

- **FUN**
- Positive experience for the kids
 - Social, Physical, Mental
- Positive environment for the kids
 - Sportsmanship from players, coaches, fans, etc.
- Safe, fair playing environment
 - Coaches have passed national background check
 - Coaches, parents, players concussion education
 - Umpires & Field Supervisors provided
 - Consistent with rules and protests



PLEASE REMEMBER

- 1) These are kids
- 2) This is a game
- 3) Parents should cheer for everyone
- 4) The Referees are human
- 5) You and your child do not play for the Blackhawks



Tournament Dates, Sites



- First games will begin on Friday, June 3rd
- Games played Friday, Saturday, Monday & on
- No games Sunday unless lots of rain Fri & Sat
- 6U – Claude Walker – 2945 Wilson Ave
- Boys 8U CP – Fountain City – 3701 Ludo Road
- Boys 10U – Rocky Hill – 7633 Alki Lane
- Boys 12U -

REQUIREMENTS TO PLAY

- Age
 - Based on player age based on 5/1/16
 - 6U – Player have turned 4 by 4/1/16
 - 6U – can not pull player from a Wee Ball team
- Must have played 6+ games in regular season
 - Does not include tournament play



RULES TO BE FOLLOWED

- KPRD City Rules
 - Can be found at <http://youthbaseball.knoxvilleathletics.com> or www.knoxvilleathletics.com
 - Click on “Youth Baseball/Softball”
 - Baseball – USSSA
- Summary of KPRD Rules



<http://youthbaseball.knoxvilleathletics.com>

OR

www.knoxvilleathletics.com & click Youth Baseball



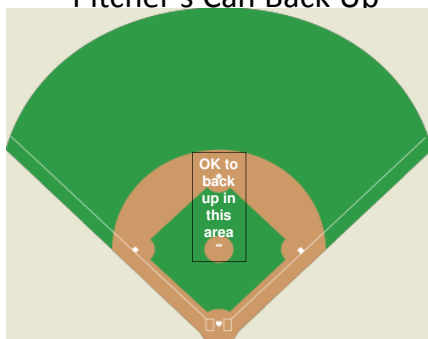
BOYS 6U & 8U

6U Rules



- Game can begin with 8 players
 - 9th and 10th spot are “outs” until player(s) show up
- Defense
 - Up to 14 players on field
 - Pitcher can back up behind pitching area
 - Don’t sit any player 2 consecutive defensive innings – **correct immediately when noticed**
 - 2 coaches may be in outfield with defense
- Offense
 - All players are in batting order
 - Team with more batters can bat “player for player”
 - Each player has up to 3 swings to hit the ball fair
 - No walks * No Stealing
 - Inning over after 7 runs scored or 3 “outs” recorded

Pitcher’s Can Back Up



Boys & Girls 8U Rules



- Game can begin with 8 players
 - 9th and 10th spot are “outs” until player(s) show up
- Defense
 - Up to 10 players in the field (4 in outfield)
 - Player in pitching position may back up behind pitching area
 - Player can’t sit 2 consecutive defensive innings – **correct immediately if noticed**
 - No coach inside foul lines – 1 coach per foul line max
- Offense
 - All players are in batting order
 - Team with more batters can bat “player for player”
 - No intentional walks * No stealing
 - Inning over after 7 runs scored or 3 “outs” recorded
- Pitching – Batter “out” after 3 strikes, a fair ball, or
 - 6 pitches for boys
 - 5 pitches for girls

TIME LIMITS / MERCY RULES

6u & 8u

• TIME LIMITS

- 1 Hour
- No new inning starts after 55 minutes
- If game tied, extra innings played with **International Tiebreak Rule** – Last batter when last out made will start on 2nd base in extra innings

• MERCY RULE

- Games stops if:
 - Team winning by 15 runs after 3rd Inning
 - Team winning by 8 runs after 4th Inning



Boys 10U & 12U

Boys 10U Rules

- Game can begin with 8 players
 - 9th is an “out” until player shows up
- Defense
 - Up to 9 players in field
 - Don’t sit any player 2 consecutive defensive innings – corrected immediately if/when noticed
 - Coaches responsibility to make sure innings pitched is recorded correctly with the Field Supervisor
- Offense
 - All players are in batting order
 - Team with more batters can bat “player for player”
 - **No leading off**
 - Inning over after 7 runs scored or 3 “outs” recorded



Boys 12U Rules

- Game can begin with 8 players
 - 9th is an “out” until player shows up
- Defense
 - Up to 9 players in field
 - Don’t sit any player 2 consecutive defensive innings – corrected immediately if/when noticed
 - Coaches responsibility to make sure innings pitched is recorded correctly with the Field Supervisor
- Offense
 - All players are in batting order
 - Team with more batters can bat “player for player”
 - Inning over after 7 runs scored or 3 “outs” recorded



TIME LIMITS / MERCY RULES

B10U & B12U

• TIME LIMITS

- No new inning starts after 85 minutes
- If game tied, extra innings played with **International Tiebreak Rule** – Last batter when last out made will start on 2nd base in extra innings

• MERCY RULE

- Games stops if:
 - Team winning by 15 runs after 3rd Inning
 - Team winning by 8 runs after 4th Inning



Pitching Limits

B10U & B12U

Max to Pitch Next Day –	3 Innings
One Day Max –	6 Innings
Three Day Max –	8 Innings

If player pitches 3 days in a row, he/she must rest the 4th day

CHECK WITH UMPIRE & FIELD SUPERVISOR AFTER GAME TO MAKE SURE YOUR RECORDS & THEIR RECORDS OF PITCHING ARE ACCURATE

FORFEITS



- A team will be removed from the City Tournament if a team forfeits and less than 50% of team shows up.
 - For example, team chooses to play a different tournament and wants to just go into the Consolation bracket
- Teams will be forfeited if they do not have 8 or more players on the field and ready to play at game time (15 minute grace period for first game of day/night)
- Teams will be forfeited if an appeal is upheld, which would indicate an illegal player had played

APPEALS/PROTESTS



- \$100 Cash Only
- Put in writing – name, #, reason
- Must be filed while player is in the game
- **Age**
 - Coach must provide Birth Certificate & Photo immediately
- **Didn't Play 6 Games**
 - Game will be completed. KPRD & Commission will review scorebooks next day. If player did not play 6 games, the result may be reversed
- **Played in another commission**
 - Game will be completed. KPRD will investigate.

BATTING ORDER / LINEUP SHEETS

- Please fill out and turn in to scorekeeper before each game
 - Field Supervisor will have Batting Order forms
- Also available on www.KnoxvilleAthletics.com



UMPIRES & RULES INTERPRETATIONS

- 2 Umpires per Game (game can start with 1)
- 8U Lines
- Umpires instructed to talk to coaches to help out
- If issues with parents, we will talk to coach first



Lightning

- Play suspended until 30 minutes after last lightning strike.
- Everyone must leave the field
 - Go to cars

INJURED PLAYERS

- **Player Injuries**
 - Usually stop play immediately if player hurt (hit with line drive) – Umpires Discretion
 - If injured and can't return:
 - Batting – "Out" recorded (if batting all players)
 - Fielding – Rules on playing consecutive innings forgotten

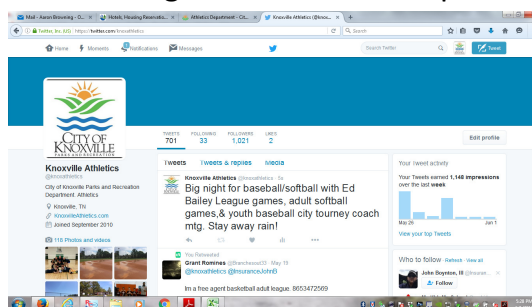


INCLEMENT WEATHER

- CALL – 215-4636 for a recorded message.
Usually updated around 4pm.
No news is good news!
- TWITTER - @knoxathletics



Twitter Page – No account required



DRAW PROCEDURES

- Order of Brackets:
 - 6U, 8U, 10U, 12U
- Read list of all teams
- Read name of team listed on line 1
- Draw number
- Team will be placed on the number drawn
- Brackets will be posted tomorrow at:
www.KnoxvilleAthletics.com

